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In re application of:]
 Markus BAUMANN et al.] Group Art Unit 3682
 Serial No.: 09/945,551]
 Filed: September 2, 2001] Examiner: M. Charles
 For: TORQUE-TRANSMITTING LOOP]
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of the time within which to respond to the Office Action dated October 10, 2003 (Paper No. 11). Please charge Deposit Account No. 501300 in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the petition fee due pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for a large entity. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 501300. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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